

Interview Summary

Application No.
09/397,018

Applicant(s)

Williams

Examiner
Michael Colaanni

Group Art Unit
1731

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Michael Colaanni

(3) Paul Rivard

(2) Susan Wolfe

(4) Jonnie Williams

Date of Interview Aug 8, 2000

Type: ☐ Telephonic ☒ Personal (copy is given to ☐ applicant ☒ applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: ☐ Yes ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Agreement ☐ was reached. ☒ was not reached.

Claim(s) discussed: new claims 53, 58

Identification of prior art discussed:

Marley et al. 4790335; Buensod 1568316; Bokelman et al. 4355648

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

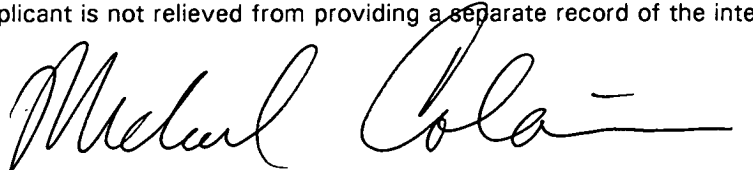
Mr. Williams gave a brief description of the invention, which comprises adding exhaust free air to the curing barn to prevent the formation of the nitrosamines. Mr. Rivard indicated that the Marley reference has been overcome because Marley uses direct fired burner which results in the release of combustion exhaust gases into the barn. Examiner Colaanni indicated that the language "substantially free of combustion exhaust gases" did not necessarily remove the use of a direct fired burner. It was agreed to remove the word "substantially" from claims 53 and 58 before the language "free of combustion exhaust gases." Examiner Colaanni indicated that this appears to overcome the Marley et al. reference. However, further consideration may be required to ascertain the full meaning of the claims and Examiner Colaanni indicated that he could not commit to an indication of allowability at this time.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

1. ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

Unless the paragraph above has been checked to indicate to the contrary, A FORMAL WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION IS NOT WAIVED AND MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a response to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW.

2. ☐ Since the Examiner's interview summary above (including any attachments) reflects a complete response to each of the objections, rejections and requirements that may be present in the last Office action, and since the claims are now allowable, this completed form is considered to fulfill the response requirements of the last Office action. Applicant is not relieved from providing a separate record of the interview unless box 1 above is also checked.



Examiner Note: You must sign and stamp this form unless it is an attachment to a signed Office action.